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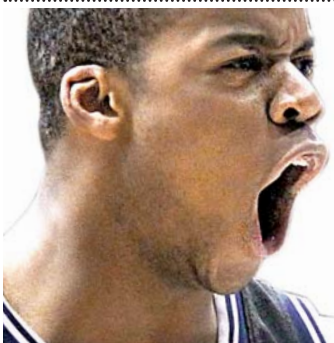


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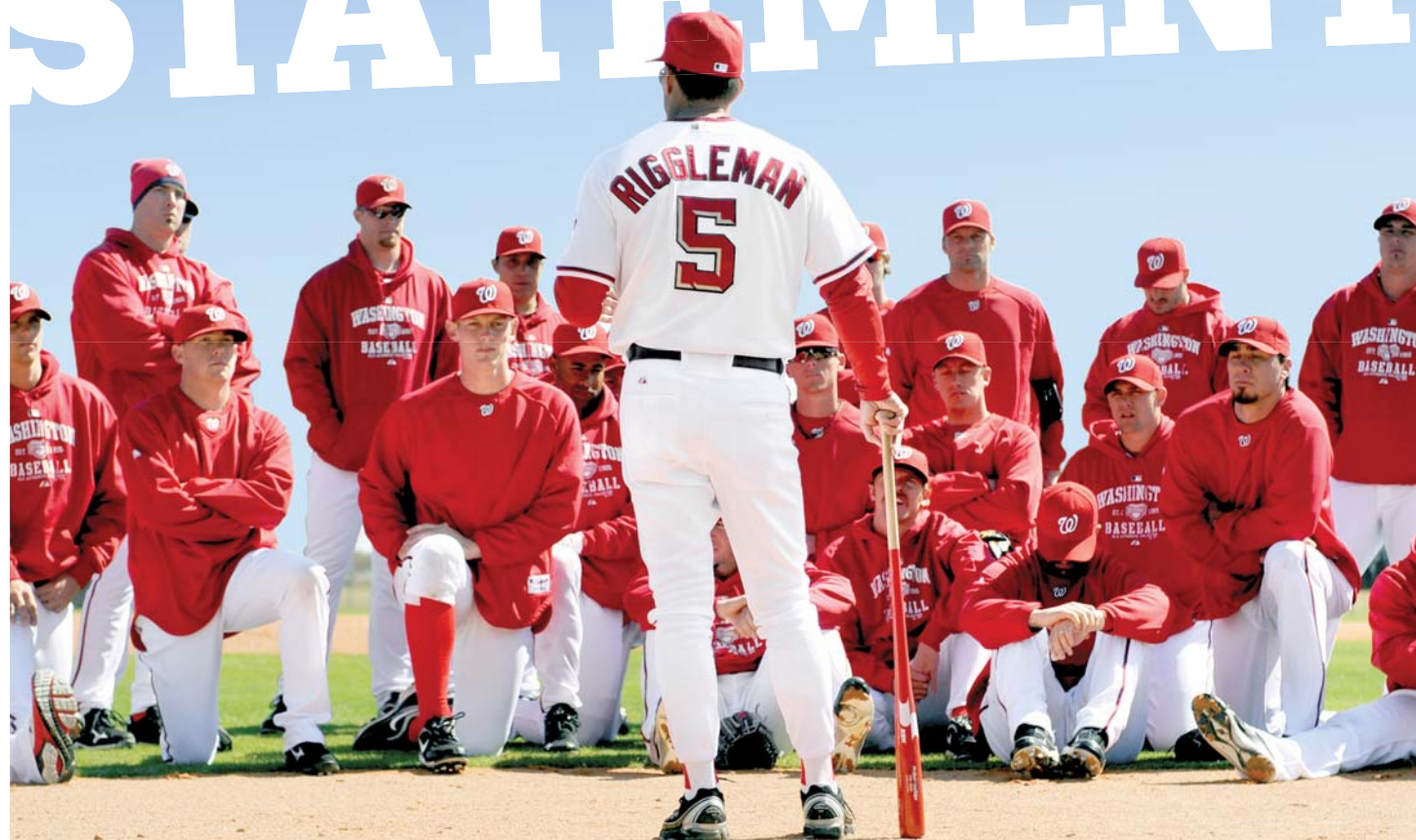


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Look at Us Not Drawing Attention to Our Breasts

About two dozen women drew a crowd when they shed their shirts and marched through Portland, Maine, to promote "equal-opportunity public toplessness." The organizer said the point of Saturday's march was that a topless woman shouldn't attract any more attention than a man who walks around without a shirt on. (AP)

Total Badasses Also Prefer Cruise Control, Smooth Jazz

Police in Fountain Hill, Pa., said two men tried to rob and carjack a pizza delivery driver but were defeated by the car's standard transmission. The driver had stopped at a red light on Friday when a man ran up and grabbed her. He demanded money while a second man tried to open the passenger door. The men fled after making a reference to the manual transmission. (AP)

Tiny, Cute Wildlife Is Fun to Save



Future generations of salamanders in Monkton, Vt., are going to be getting some help crossing the road. The town has won a \$150,000 state grant to install one or two culverts under a stretch of road to protect salamanders, other amphibians, reptiles and small mammals crossing between a swampy area and the uplands. The project will be the first wildlife-crossing retrofit of a Vermont highway. (AP)

The Big Picture



PEOPLE DIG with their hands, shovels and skis in a snow hill at the ski resort Schmitzenhohe in Zell am See, Austria, on Sunday in search of an Easter egg with 500 euros inside. A total of 5,000 euros' worth of eggs were hidden in the hill as part of a promotional campaign for the local mountain railway. (AP)

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Quake Rattles L.A., San Diego

Los Angeles

A strong earthquake south of the U.S.-Mexico border Sunday shook high-rises in downtown Los Angeles and San Diego and was felt across Southern California and Arizona.

The U.S. Geological Survey says the 6.9 magnitude quake struck Sunday at 3:40 p.m. in Baja California, Mexico. The earthquake rattled buildings on the west side of Los Angeles and in the San Fernando Valley, interrupting Easter dinners.

Tremors from the quake were felt as far away as Phoenix. There were no initial reports of damage in the San Diego area. (AP)

Calif. Pollution Law Challenged

Petition drive could halt unprecedented limits on emissions

Sacramento, Calif.

Four years ago, California earned accolades for adopting a law that would slash its greenhouse gas emissions and serve as a model for national climate change legislation.

But with the state mired in a crippling recession, the law that once looked like a landmark achievement is coming under assault. The regulatory effort Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger set in motion is facing a political backlash and could come to an abrupt halt in the months ahead.

A coalition of businesses, financed largely by three Texas oil companies, is funding a ballot petition that would delay the law until California's current unemployment rate is cut by more than half.

Leading Republican gubernatorial candidate Meg Whitman has vowed she would suspend the law on her first day in office.



Valero is one of three Texas oil companies funding a petition drive in California that could ultimately put the brakes on the state's effort to limit greenhouse gases.

Even Schwarzenegger, who has staked his legacy on environmental issues, has begun urging air regulators to take a go-slow approach. But he has vowed to fight the ballot initiative.

"I think that the California people are outraged about the fact that Texas oil companies ... are coming to California and trying to change

laws and policies in California," Schwarzenegger said recently.

The possibility that a state that has set the national agenda on environmental change for decades might shelve its climate regulations could have ramifications beyond California's borders. In Congress, lawmakers are struggling to craft a national climate bill that uses Cal-

ifornia's as a template.

"This could very well be an effort to focus on California with the goal of delaying federal legislation," said state Sen. Fran Pavley, D-Agoura Hills.

Under the measure, oil refineries, manufacturers, cement plants, utilities and other carbon polluters are to begin cutting their emissions in 2012. It is the first economy-wide cap on emissions in the nation, obligating California to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020, about 30 percent from the levels projected if there were no climate regulations.

Petition backers say California cannot afford to impose environmental regulations that would raise utility bills and fuel prices, and cost jobs. That may be an appealing message to voters who are frustrated with high unemployment, continuing home foreclosures and an ongoing state budget crisis.

"We need to try to heal our economy before we travel a road we've never traveled before," said state Assemblyman Dan Logue, R-Linda, one of the initiative's sponsors.

SAMANTHA YOUNG (AP)

Hearsay

"This kind of thing has to stop or they won't get any contributions [from donors]."



— SEN. JON KYL, R-ARIZ., ON THE USE OF REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE FUNDS FOR A GOP EVENT AT A SEX-THEMED CLUB.



HAPPENSTANCE

An errant text message is costing three New York drug-dealing suspects dearly. Police say the suspects tried to text a potential buyer and instead reached a police task force agent in Dutchess County, about 50 miles north of New York City. The three suspects were arrested after arranging a meeting with the agent, who pretended to be the buyer. Police said they recovered 60 bags of heroin. "Their bad luck is our good luck," Sgt. Brett Orlich said. (AP)

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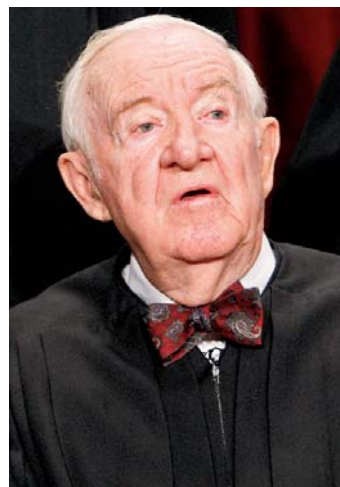
Justice says he will leave Supreme Court during Obama's term

Washington

Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens says he "will surely" retire while President Obama is still in office, giving the president the opportunity to maintain the high court's ideological balance.

Stevens said in newspaper interviews on the Web Saturday that he will decide soon on the timing of his retirement, whether it will be this year or next. Stevens, the leader of the court's liberals, turns 90 this month and is the oldest justice.

His departure would give Obama his second nomination to the court, enabling him to ensure there would continue to be at least



CHARLES DHARAPAK/AP

John Paul Stevens has served on the Supreme Court for more than 34 years.

four liberal-leaning justices. The high court is often split 5-4 on major cases, with the vote of moderate Justice Anthony Kennedy often deciding which side prevails.

"I will surely do it while he's

still president," Stevens told The Washington Post.

Stevens is the second-oldest justice in the court's history, after Oliver Wendell Holmes. He has served the seventh-longest of all the justices, with more than 34 years on the court.

A leading Democratic senator said he hopes Stevens doesn't decide to retire this year.

Sen. Arlen Specter, a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee—which reviews judicial appointments—worried that a nomination fight this year would mean gridlock in the partisan Senate. Specter told "Fox News Sunday" that there's a better chance for consensus next year after the November national election.

Specter said he hopes Obama would pick someone who would be a check on executive power, as he said Stevens has done during his time on the bench. (AP)

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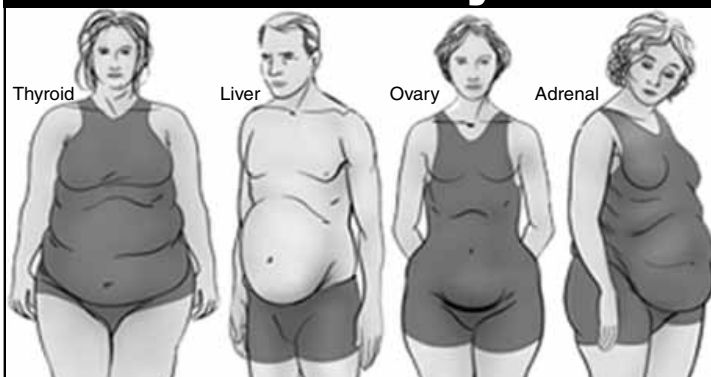
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Kidnapped Linguist Back With His Family

Man was captured by Shiite extremists while serving in Iraq

San Diego

A U.S. Army linguist returned to his family in Southern California on Saturday after more than two months in captivity in Baghdad, according to a National Guard spokeswoman.

Issa Salomi arrived home in San Diego and was “resting and beginning his adjustment back to normal life,” Maj. Kimberly Holman said in an e-mailed statement.

“He wants to again share that he is healthy, is in good spirits, and he adds that he is looking forward to a good home-cooked meal and a few good nights’ rest,” Holman wrote.

A Shiite extremist group claimed responsibility for the Jan. 23 kidnapping and posted a video online that showed a man wearing military fatigues reading a list of



Lilya Salomi weeps after hearing her brother was freed from captivity in Iraq.

demands for the release of militants, the prosecution of Blackwater guards and an immediate U.S. troop withdrawal.

The group issued a statement indicating Salomi’s release came in exchange for the release by the Iraqi government of four of its members.

Iraqi government spokesman Ali al-Dabbagh said he had no information about anyone being released in exchange for Salomi. (AP)

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Weekend Review



1 WASHINGTON Second Woman Charged In 'Jihad Jane' Web Case

Federal prosecutors filed terrorism charges Friday against a pregnant American woman in the so-called "Jihad Jane" case. Jamie Paulin-Ramirez flew on Friday from Ireland to Philadelphia, where she was arrested by agents with the joint terrorism task force. Paulin-Ramirez is accused of plotting online to attend a terror training camp. (AP)

2 CARACAS, VENEZUELA Ties With Russia Deepen

Russia offered to help Venezuela set up its own space industry, including a satellite launch site, as Prime Minister Vladimir Putin made his first visit to the South American country on Friday. Russia also agreed to help Venezuela plan for a nuclear power plant. (AP)

3 NAIROBI, KENYA Key Draft Law Approved

Kenya's parliament on Friday unanimously passed a draft constitution that is one of several reforms experts say are needed to avoid a repeat of unrest that shook the country after the disputed 2007 election. The new draft proposes several checks on presidential powers. (AP)



4 Screen With Envy

Mike Heinsius of Rotterdam, Netherlands, holds up his new iPad Saturday outside an Apple Store in New York City. Apple's tablet computer went on sale Saturday morning, drawing crowds across the country and rivaling the frenzy when the iPhone went on sale in 2007.



5 "We get all kinds of ... 'interesting' mail, so it's not out of the norm. It got more attention because it went to so many governors."

— MINN. GOV. TIM PAWLENTY, WHO RECEIVED A LETTER TELLING HIM TO LEAVE OFFICE IN THREE DAYS OR BE REMOVED. THE LETTER FROM AN ANTI-GOVERNMENT GROUP WAS SENT TO MORE THAN 30 GOVERNORS.

6 MOSCOW Russia: Bomber Was Teen Widow of Islamist

Russian authorities said Friday that one of the two suicide bombers who struck the Moscow subway system last week was the 17-year-old widow of an Islamist rebel leader. Officials circulated unsettling photos of the cherub-faced teen, Dzhanel Abdullayeva, brandishing a handgun and a grenade. (TWP)

7 VATICAN CITY Pope's Preacher Likens Attacks to Anti-Semitism

Jewish leaders, and even some top Catholic churchmen, were angered after Pope Benedict XVI's personal preacher, the Rev. Raniero Cantalamessa, in a Good Friday sermon, likened the accusations against the pope to the campaign of anti-Semitic violence that culminated in the Holocaust. (AP)

8 KABUL 25 The length of a phone call, in minutes, made by Afghan President Hamid Karzai to Secretary of State Hillary Clinton on Friday to clarify his remarks that foreigners were at fault in 2009's disputed election. Both sides reaffirmed their partnership. (AP)

Baghdad Bombings Kill Dozens

Officials say attacks near embassies aimed to destabilize nation

Baghdad

Suicide attackers detonated three car bombs in quick succession near foreign embassies in Baghdad on Sunday, killing more than 40 people in coordinated strikes that Iraqi officials said were intended to disrupt efforts to form a new government.

The bombings followed the execution-style killings of 24 villagers in a Sunni area two days earlier, a spike in violence that suggests insurgents are seizing on the political uncertainty after the recent election to try to destabilize the country as U.S. troops prepare to leave. No clear winner emerged from the March 7 vote.

Sunday's explosions went off within minutes of each other, starting shortly after 11 a.m. One struck near the Iranian Embassy, and two others hit an area that houses several diplomatic missions, including the Egyptian Consulate and the German and Spanish embassies. It was not immediately known whether diplomatic staff were among the victims.



People inspect a vehicle that was destroyed in a suicide bombing attack near the Iranian Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq, on Sunday.

Authorities said they foiled two other attacks aimed at diplomatic targets by stopping the would-be bombers' vehicles and defusing the explosives.

Stunned victims in bloody clothes were loaded into ambulances as smoke rose over Baghdad.

"I saw children screaming," said Hassan Karim, 32, who owns a clothing shop in Baghdad. "Cars were crashing into each other in streets,

trying to find a way to flee."

There was no immediate claim of responsibility, although multiple, coordinated bombings in the capital are a hallmark of al-Qaeda in Iraq.

Iraq's Ministry of Foreign Affairs said the bombings were an attempt to inject more turmoil into the political scene as the election front-runners try to forge a coalition government.

Former prime minister Ayad Allawi's cross-sectarian bloc tapped into heavy Sunni support to come in just two seats ahead of the mainly Shiite list of the incumbent, Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki. But neither side has enough seats to govern alone, which means they are scrambling to cobble together enough parliamentary support to form a government. ELIZABETH A. KENNEDY AND QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA (AP)



Cardinal Angelo Sodano, left, embraces Pope Benedict XVI during Easter Mass.

Cardinal Dismisses 'Gossip' at Easter Mass

Vatican City

It was the Catholic calendar's holiest moment — the Mass celebrating the resurrection of Christ. But with Pope Benedict XVI accused of failing to protect children from abusive priests, Easter Sunday also was a high-profile opportunity to play defense.

"Holy Father, on your side are the people of God," Cardinal Angelo Sodano told the pontiff, who victims of clergy sexual abuse accuse of helping to shape and perpetuate a climate of cover-up. Sodano, dean of the College of Cardinals, dismissed those claims as "petty gossip."

The tribute at the start of a Mass attended by tens of thousands in St. Peter's Square marked an unusual departure from the Vatican's Easter rituals, infusing the tradition-steeped religious ceremony with an air of a papal pep rally.

Benedict looked weary during much of the Mass. But as he listened to Sodano's paean, a smile broke across the pope's face.

The pontiff hasn't responded to accusations that he did too little to protect children from pedophile priests, even as sex abuse scandals threaten to overshadow his papacy. FRANCES D'EMILIO (AP)

Nine Chinese Are Rescued From Flooded Mine After 179 Hours

Xiangning, China

Nine miners were pulled to safety early Monday after spending more than a week trapped in a flooded coal mine in northern China, and state television reported more survivors may be found.

The nine men — among 153 trapped since March 28 — were wrapped in blankets, placed in

ambulances and rushed to a hospital where doctors and nurses had been standing by for days.

China Central Television said more people in the Wangjialing mine could still be alive, but did not give any details.

It showed images of the miners being taken into the hospital in Hejin city, about 30 miles from the mine. Their eyes were covered to

shield them from the bright lights. Some were hooked up to intravenous drips.

The official Xinhua News Agency reported that their blood pressure and heart rates were normal after spending 179 hours trapped underground. It quoted one of the survivors, Li Guoyu, 38, from Henan province in central China, as saying they had gone without

water because they were worried about drinking the dirty water flowing in the tunnel.

The nine had been trapped since workers broke a wall into a water-filled abandoned shaft, flooding the mine in Shanxi province in northern China. About 3,000 people have worked around the clock using 14 pumps to suck the water out of the mine. GILLIAN WONG (AP)

COMEBACKS

The observation deck of the world's tallest skyscraper reopened Sunday in Dubai, two months after an elevator malfunction left visitors trapped more than 120 stories above the ground and forced it to close. Two months later, it's still unclear what caused the elevator to fail. Nevertheless, dozens of tourists lined up Sunday for tickets to take an elevator to the 124th floor of the half-mile-high Burj Khalifa, where the observation deck is located. (AP)



'Declaration of War' in S. Africa

White supremacist group blames brutal killing on ANC leader

Ventersdorp, S. Africa

Followers of one of South Africa's most notorious white supremacists cast his death as a rallying point for their cause Sunday, with one top member claiming his brutal death was "a declaration of war" by blacks against whites.

Eugene Terreblanche's supporters blamed his slaying on a ruling party official's performances of an apartheid-era song that advocates killing white farmers. Police,



A South African leaves flowers on Eugene Terreblanche's property on Sunday.

however, say it appeared to be a wage dispute that led two of Terreblanche's farm workers to bludgeon him in his bed Saturday.

South African officials are trying to ward off any rise in racial tensions 10 weeks before their country of about 50 million hosts soccer's World Cup.

Divisive Figure



Eugene Terreblanche, left, co-founded and led the AWB, which seeks an all-white republic within mostly black South Africa. Its red, white and black insignia resembles a Nazi swastika, but with three prongs instead of four. Terreblanche emerged in the 1970s to the right of the apartheid government and was a vocal opponent of the end of apartheid. After serving six years in prison for attacking two black workers, he re-emerged in 2004 to live on his farm. (AP)

President Jacob Zuma appealed for calm after "this terrible deed" and asked South Africans "not to allow agent provocateurs to take advantage of this situation by inciting or fueling racial hatred."

Police Minister Nathi Mthethwa said Terreblanche was attacked by a 28-year-old man and a 15-year-old boy, both black. Mthethwa said they would appear in court Tuesday on murder charges.

Andre Visagie, a top member of AWB — or the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging movement — echoed other group members in blaming African National Congress Youth Leader Julius Malema, saying he spread hate speech that led to the killing.

Malema last month led students in a song that includes the lyrics "shoot the Boer." Boer means white farmer in Afrikaans. MICHELLE FAUL (AP)

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The Waiting Game

Opening day is just a prelude to promising times for the Nats

Big Questions



Can Ian Desmond Keep the Job?

The 24-year-old rookie beat out veteran Cristian Guzman for the starting short-stop spot. Like Morgan, he brings energy and an aura of excitement. But before 2009, he'd never hit above .264 in the minors.

Is the Bullpen Improved?

Nationals relievers were the primary culprits when the team got off to a horrendous start in 2009, but not one remains from last year's opening-day bullpen. Washington has a new closer (Matt Capps) and a new setup man (Brian Bruney). Miguel Batista will be the long man and gives a veteran option if starters struggle early.

Is Nyjer Morgan Really That Good?



The center fielder and lead-off man sparked the club immediately when he came over from Pittsburgh in July, hitting .351 in 49 games with Washington. The Nationals will find out whether the 29-year-old, who became a starter for the first time last year, is a late bloomer or a one-year wonder.

Will Strasburg Match the Hype?

If his spring training outings are any indication, the answer is yes. He allowed just two earned runs in nine innings over three starts, striking out 12 and walking one.

Will Willie and Willy Cover Right?

Neither Willie Harris nor Willy Tavares is a prototypical right fielder. Neither is likely to hit many homers at a spot traditionally saved for sluggers, but both can cover a lot of ground defensively.



Stephen Strasburg will start his pro career in Harrisburg, but many believe he'll be pitching in Washington by the middle of the season.

Beware Metro Crowds

Opening day will be a busy day for Metro. The transit agency will run a handful of eight-car trains on the Green Line and will be employing shuttle trains between Mt. Vernon Square and Navy Yard to help accommodate the sellout crowd. Officials say they expect about 20,000 fans will use Metro to get to and from the game. Combined with rush hour and cherry blossom tourists, Metro is warning riders to be prepared to wait 30 minutes or longer just to get on a train Monday afternoon. (EXPRESS)

to go down to Harrisburg and learn what I need to learn and be ready to be called up. Hopefully, soon."

Wang, a former star with the Yankees, and Detwiler, the Nationals' top pick in the 2007 draft, are rehabbing injuries. Shoulder surgery cost Wang much of last season. Washington expects him back in May and hopes he'll look like the pitcher who won 18 games twice in New York.

Detwiler, who last fall looked ready to join the Nationals' rotation permanently, arrived at spring training with a hip injury and was promptly shut down. But his recovery is ahead

of schedule, and he could be pitching again by May or June.

Only Maxwell can blame his absence on his own failures. The surprising release of right fielder Elijah Dukes last month opened the door for Maxwell, long a promising but frustrating prospect, to take over the job. But he batted .100 in spring training and will start in the minors. Still, manager Jim Riggleman hopes that Maxwell, already strong defensively, will find his swing in Triple-A and earn his way back to Washington.

"I'm going to be honest with you," Riggleman told reporters. "I really wanted Maxwell to make the ballclub. I just think he's really a good make-up guy. He's really a great athlete. He's just having some trouble right now with the bat. I know he's going to play for us."

On June 4, the Nats will return from a 10-game road trip to host the Cincinnati Reds in a weekend series. By then, the club probably won't look like it does today, but Half Street will come alive again. DEREK TURNER

NATS BRING IN A BIG-NAME PITCHER

The Washington Nationals found perhaps the only pitcher who can trump Roy Halladay's debut with the Phillies. He's a lefty without a whole lot of experience, and one of his big recent victories came by the eye-popping score of 219-212. Of course, that was a health care vote in the House of Representatives, and the thrower is President Obama, who will mark the 100th anniversary of presidential first pitches by performing the duty Monday at Nationals Park. Ryan Zimmerman, who will catch the first pitch, might need to exhibit his best range to save Obama some embarrassment. Obama bounced his first-pitch attempt last year at the All-Star Game. (AP)

The Nationals

Late this morning, for the first time in months, Half Street will come alive again.

The snow has melted, cherry blossoms are blooming beyond the left field wall, and opening day is here.

The wait is over. But for the Washington Nationals, that's only partially true. The real opening day may be two months away.

When the public address announcer introduces each player before this afternoon's game against the Philadelphia Phillies, these names won't be heard: Stephen Strasburg, Drew Storen, Chien-Ming Wang, Ross Detwiler, Justin Maxwell.

For various reasons, none is starting the season in Washington, though the front office hopes all five will be contributors before spring turns to summer.

Strasburg, a potential No. 1 starter, and Storen, a potential closer, were the Nationals' first-round picks in the 2009 draft. Both impressed in spring training but will start in Double-A Harrisburg. General Manager Mike Rizzo opted to give them some professional seasoning. Additionally, keeping them off the major league roster until late May or early June will delay their eventual free agency by a year.

"It's not the perfect situation, but it's their decision," said Strasburg, the No. 1 overall pick who inked a \$15 million contract last summer. "I'm going



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Personal Finance

Got a drawer full of old cell phones and defunct iPods? A 15-year-old computer monitor in the basement? There's a growing list of companies happy to take such junk.

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Just remember, before turning in any electronics — especially an old cell phone or computer — to delete all your contacts and other personal files.

Here's how such recycling programs can work for you.



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Take Stock

Start by assessing what gadgets you want to get rid of and researching what they're worth. The prices sellers are getting on eBay.com or Glyde.com can offer a pretty solid hint of a gadget's worth. Or try the calculators at YouRenew.com or Gazelle.com. ReCellular.com, which

will give you cash for your old cell phone, also has a calculator.

But brace yourself. The Associated Press found that a two-year-old Hewlett Packard desktop hard drive was worth \$67 in good condition at Gazelle.com. An iPod Shuffle with 2 gigabytes of memory in poor condition had a trade-

in value of \$4 at Gazelle.com or \$3 at YouRenew.com.

Donate for a Write-Off

Cell phones — working or not — are accepted by such organizations as Hopephones.org and Cellphonesforsoldiers.com. Hopephones.org sends the gadgets to its recycling partner called the Wireless Source, which either refurbishes, reuses or fully recycles them. Cellphonesforsoldiers.com sells the phones it receives to a recycler and uses the proceeds to buy calling cards for members of the military.

To unload a computer, check out Reconnectpartnership.com, an alliance between Dell and Goodwill Industries that accepts computers in any condition.

Recycle What's Left

If there's no such program nearby (or no one's interested in your broken TV), consult Earth911.com, which helps consumers across the country figure out a local way to recycle anything from car batteries to MP3 players and how much it will cost. ANNE D'INNOCENZIO (AP)

DISCUSSIONS

Student Loans

The student loan bill that President Obama signed into law Tuesday could mean big changes for hard-pressed students as the government becomes the primary issuer of student loans.

What does the overhaul do?

Basically, it cuts banks out of the government-backed student loan business. Money for the loans has to come either directly from the government or through private financial institutions, which have collected billions of dollars in federal subsidies.

How will this affect students and their parents?

The government will save an estimated \$68 billion over the next 11 years, thanks to the overhaul. A chunk of the savings will go toward Pell grants for college students.

How else will students benefit?

Students who meet eligibility requirements and who take out loans after July 1, 2014, will see their payments limited to 10 percent of their discretionary income after graduation. (AP)



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In Brief



DAN MORSE/TWP

A common area for residents at the facility where Gilbert Arenas will stay.

WASHINGTON

Arenas to Serve Time In Low-Security Facility

Washington Wizards guard Gilbert Arenas will spend his monthlong community service sentence at a nationally recognized facility in Montgomery County near the White Flint mall. Arenas will arrive at the Montgomery County Pre-Release Center "in the not-too-distant future," said Arthur Wallenstein, director of the Montgomery Department of Correction and Rehabilitation. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

WASHINGTON

Metrobus Driver Arrested For Solicitation on Duty

A Metrobus driver was arrested early Saturday morning after he — while on duty — tried to solicit an undercover D.C. police officer posing as a prostitute, Metro spokeswoman Cathy Asato said on Sunday. The bus driver, Shawn Todd, was arrested by police shortly after midnight, said Asato. She said Todd was on duty and driving the D12 bus to Southern Avenue at the time of the incident. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

WHEATON, MD.

Montgomery County Officer Killed in Car Crash

Montgomery County police say an officer was killed when his police cruiser struck a tree while he was responding to an officer who needed backup. Police have yet to release the officer's name. He was a seven-year veteran of the department and worked the midnight shift. Police say the officer was on the way to the scene of a large fight early Sunday when his car ran off the road and hit a tree. (AP)

Poll: Metrorail Gets High Marks

Riders rate transit system positively on comfort, reliability

Washington

After a year in which it was buffeted by the worst string of accidents in its history, most Metrorail riders give the system high marks on comfort, reliability and generally going the places they want to go, according to a new Washington Post poll.

"They've had some issues over the past year, but I have no fears riding it," said Lucy Swartz, 55, of Kensington, who often takes the

subway to meetings downtown.

Two-thirds of rail users rate the safety of the system as excellent or good, but regular riders divide about evenly on how Metro has responded to the accidents, including a June 22 crash on the Red Line that killed eight passengers and a train operator: 42 percent approve, 45 percent disapprove. Just as in 2005, about a quarter of area adults say they take Metrorail very or fairly often, with about one in eight commuters using the rail system as the primary way to get to work.

But a third of users say they're riding less than they used to, and some of the shine is off a system

80%

The portion of people polled who gave Metrorail good marks, down from 86 percent five years ago.

once considered a national model for urban transit.

While positive ratings have held up across a range of areas, the percentage of riders rating the overall system as excellent has been sliced in half. Among its most frequent users, 8 percent gave it the top rating, down from 26 percent in 2005. Assessments of the system's reliability have slipped, too, among these

users, from 78 percent in 2005 to 60 percent now.

An intangible that Metro has going for it is a widespread public perception that conditions are deteriorating on roads, with six in 10 saying that traffic has worsened over the past five years. When asked to identify the region's most pressing transportation problem, about four in 10 say it's the gridlock on the roads, more than say so of any other issue.

Overall, 80 percent of those who have used Metrorail give it good marks, down from five years ago, when 86 percent viewed it positively. JON COHEN AND ANN SCOTT TYSON (THE WASHINGTON POST)

An Easter Sunday Sunrise Stroll



DAYNA SMITH/FTWP

WILLIE GAZES, 3, of Manassas, Va., struts his stuff after the Easter Sunrise Service on Sunday in the Memorial Amphitheater at Arlington National Cemetery.

The Lotteries

Sunday, April 4

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By the time Kyle Singler, left, had signed up to play at Duke, the Blue Devils had already won three NCAA titles. A fourth awaits if Duke can beat Shawn Vanzant and Butler.

Butler Dances With the Devils

Can Bulldogs pull off biggest upset yet in NCAA title game?

Men's College Hoops

Yes, it's a matchup pitting a cute bulldog against a devil, America's favorite underdog against the team people love to hate.

Dig a little deeper, though, and basketball fans might see two programs, the Butler Bulldogs and Duke Blue Devils, who come from almost the same place.

The teams playing for the national championship Monday hail from small, private schools that don't simply open their doors to anyone. They're located in different parts of America, but both deep in the heart of basketball country — Indiana and North Carolina.

And if the Cameron Crazies want to pick on Butler, best to leave the "Safety School" and "You'll be working for us someday" banter on the sideline. As is the case at Duke, Butler graduates about 90 percent



Butler Center in Doubt

Butler center Matt Howard was held out of Sunday's practice and could miss Monday's NCAA championship with a concussion. Team trainer Ryan Galloy said Howard took two blows in Saturday's 52-50 victory over Michigan State, first banging his head on the floor after a violent collision with two other players and then taking an elbow to the head after he returned to the game. After the second shot, he did not come back. Galloy described the injury as the "mildest of mild concussions." Coach Brad Stevens said Howard's status would be a game-time decision. (AP)

of its players. As is the case at Duke, there's more than mere lip service paid to the classroom at Butler — no need to roll your eyes when the overused term "student-athlete" gets busted out in this final game.

Even Butler's coach, Brad Stevens, is 33 — the same age Mike Krzyzewski was when he took over at Duke 30 years ago.

All of that sounds good, but let's get real. Butler has made itself the center of a once-in-a-generation story, in which the overlooked team keeps knocking off giants — Syracuse, Kansas State, Michigan State

— and is on the verge of capping off a "Hoosiers" rewrite.

The Bulldogs' home, Hinkle Fieldhouse, has long been as much a tourist attraction to the hoops blue-blood as Duke's Cameron Indoor Stadium is on Tobacco Road.

The rafters at Cameron, however, are covered with names such as Battier, Hill and Laettner, while the ceilings at Hinkle are layered with a thin coat of dust, along with the memories of tiny Milan High School, the 1954 state high school champions featuring Bobby Plump, whose character became Jimmy

Defense

Key Points

Butler is on one of the NCAA tournament's best defensive streaks ever, not allowing any team to reach 60 points in a game. The Bulldogs' total margin of victory in the five games is 15 points, including two-point wins over Murray State and Michigan State. Duke's low point total in the tournament is 68, and the Blue Devils are averaging 73.4 points in the tournament. The closest any team has come to Duke is seven points. (AP)

Chitwood in the movie.

"I think we embrace it," Butler forward Gordon Hayward said. "If that's what the story is going to be, we'll accept that. We're up for the challenge. ... Once the ball goes up in the air, all that's going to disappear, and it's just five-on-five. We view them as another opponent, someone we're going to play and try to beat." EDDIE PELLIS (AP)

In Brief

NBA

Celtics Edge Cavaliers

Ray Allen scored a season-high 33 points, hitting his sixth 3-pointer to give the Celtics a four-point lead with 48 seconds left, and Boston held on despite 42 points from LeBron James to beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 117-113 on Sunday. The win snapped a three-game home losing streak for Boston, and it kept the Cavaliers from clinching home-court advantage for the postseason. (AP)

TENNIS

Roddick Wins Title

Andy Roddick used a dominating serve and smart baseline game Sunday to beat Tomas Berdych 7-5, 6-4 and win the Sony Ericsson Open. Roddick improved to 26-4 this year, the best on the men's tour. (AP)

NBA

Bogut Out Indefinitely

Milwaukee Bucks center Andrew Bogut has a broken hand, dislocated elbow and sprained wrist that will keep him out indefinitely after a hard fall in Saturday night's victory over the Phoenix Suns. (AP)

TV Lineup

NATIONALS (1 P.M., CH. 50) After President Obama throws out the first pitch, the Nats face Roy Halladay and the Phillies.

NCAA HOOPS (9 P.M., CBS) Can Butler beat Duke to complete the Cinderella story of the NCAA tournament?

CAPITALS (7 P.M., VERSUS) The Caps take on the Boston Bruins, who may be Washington's first-round opponent in the playoffs.

BASEBALL (1 P.M., 4 P.M., ESPN; 2 P.M., 7 P.M., 10 P.M., ESPN2) The St. Louis Cardinals take on the Cincinnati Reds, the Chicago Cubs visit the Atlanta Braves, the Chicago White Sox host the Cleveland Indians, the Houston Astros battle the San Francisco Giants, and the Los Angeles Angels host the Minnesota Twins.

COACHING

If Monday's NCAA tournament title game were a battle of whistles and clipboards it would be no contest. Duke's Mike Krzyzewski would tie Adolph Rupp for second place of all time with four national championships. He has a record 76 wins in the NCAA tournament, 13 fewer than Butler's Brad Stevens has won in his entire career. Coach K is in his 30th season at Duke; Stevens is 33 years old. (AP)



A Week Unlike Any Other for Golf

Tiger Woods' press conference to tee off an unusual Masters

Golf

When Tiger Woods arrived at last year's Masters, he was playing in his first major championship in nearly 10 months. He described his ordeal thusly: "It's no fun. A lot of low points, a lot of low days. But you got to fight through it."

What, then, could he possibly say Monday, when he will be asked to describe a journey that has nothing to do with the injured leg that sidelined him in 2008, but has everything to do with his battered image, which will never be the same?

The last time Woods took questions from a group of reporters was nearly five months ago, and the questions then weren't even scarcely related to what he will face now.

Golf, as prim and proper a sport as America has to offer, has never experienced a week like the one that lies just ahead. Thirteen years ago, Woods became a tran-



Tiger Woods participates in a practice round at Augusta National on Sunday. He'll hold a press conference at 2 p.m. on Monday.

scendent athletic figure when he became the first black player to win the Masters. Now, he comes not as a social and athletic pioneer, but as a dime-a-dozen celebrity cheapened by a tawdry series of revelations of marital infidelity the likes of which, heretofore,

have not been discussed publicly on the starched-shirt, azalea-lined grounds of Augusta National.

Woods' return will be, if nothing else, a spectacle. "I think it's going to be one of the biggest events in golf history," Stewart Cink, the 2009 British Open champion, told report-

ers earlier this month, "because the biggest player in golf history is going to come back from this absence, and everybody is going to be scrutinizing his game and what he says and where he goes and where he has dinner — everything."

BARRY SVRLUGA (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Weekend Rewind



The Washington Redskins added Willie Parker to their already crowded backfield Friday, signing the former Steelers running back to a one-year deal that will allow him to compete with Clinton Portis and Larry Johnson for the starting position.

• **The Washington Capitals set a franchise record with their 51st win of the season on Saturday, defeating the Columbus Blue Jackets, 3-2.**

• **Matt James, a "drunk and bel-ligerent" 17-year-old Notre Dame football recruit, was killed on Friday in a fall from a fifth-floor hotel balcony during his senior-year spring break in Panama City Beach, Fla., authorities said Saturday.**



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Staying in Step
Erin Andrews won't let recent death threats keep her off 'DWTS' **31**

Booze Clues

Twist of Lime

Adams Morgan is, in general, to be avoided. If you've ever tried to push through the scrum of 18th Street on a weekend night — hey, sometimes the siren song of Amsterdam Falafel is just too strong — you've seen the crowds



of 19-year-old girls who mistook shirts for dresses and the pink-shirted rowdy bros seeing who can eat their disgusting Jumbo Slice the fastest. But if you're in the mood for margaritas, Adams Morgan is, unfortunately, the place to go. On Tuesdays through Fridays from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., you can get half-price margaritas, sangria and appetizers at the Cafe Oaxaca (2106 18th St. NW). If you want Mexican food for dinner, we recommend Mixtec (1792 Columbia Road NW), but get your drinks at the Cafe Oaxaca.

The margaritas at Las Canteras across the street are worth a taste, too. But since the place is a Peruvian restaurant, we'd opt for the pisco sour and some yucca rellena. Happy hour (every day of the week from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.) offers discounted cocktails and appetizers including \$6 pisco sours and \$4 margaritas.

Muddling Through

If you're in the mood for the margarita's classier cousin, the mojito — you think Hemingway drank margaritas? No way — hit up Meze (2437 18th St. NW). Turkish tapas are an odd complement to an extensive margarita menu, but since they're both good, you probably won't complain. Mojitos are half-price weekdays between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

@ Comments? Give Fiona your feedback: expressnightout.com/boozeclues

At the Eye of the Storm

Harrowing emotion and hints of hope define the sounds of Florence Welch

Music

A few weeks ago, Florence Welch landed in New York for her first U.S. tour with her band the Machine, and the weather was terrible.

For other artists, it might have seemed like a bad omen. But the London native wasn't fazed: "It reminds me of home. I stepped off the plane and went, 'Yes! Gray skies! Cold weather! Amazing!' I felt much more comfortable."

It was an apt welcome for the singer, who has taken the U.K. by storm with an album of thundering break-up songs marked by visceral lyrics and unsettling emotional violence. "Lungs" is at once harrowing and invigorating, a trip to the depths of despair that ultimately manages to find some rays of hope and sunshine.

Welch spoke with Express during a quiet pre-tour lull in New York. **STEPHEN M. DEUSNER**

What can Americans expect from your live shows?

We'll mainly be playing songs from the album. We never try to do carbon copies of what the recordings sound like. The thing I like about the live show is that every time you play the song, you're rewriting it all over again.



Some of these songs sound so harrowing and personal. What's it like to live with them night after night?
I find music and performing such an uplifting and exciting and joyful thing, and yet you're singing about really dark things. I've always quite

liked that contradiction.

It seems like it might be a cathartic experience.

I hope for the audience as well as for me. I think everyone is just looking to feel something. You don't

want to think about your electricity bill or what you've got to do tomorrow. You want to get lost in the emotions and the music.

How is the new album going?

I've written three songs for it. Two need work, but one of them I'm really happy with. I wrote a song about atoms. Two of the smallest atomic particles, the names that the scientists gave them are Strangeness and Charm. I thought that was pretty useful — such human names for things we can't even see.

Did the response to "Lungs" surprise you?

I don't know. I guess I just tried not to think about people's responses to it. It's such a personal thing, releasing an album. You almost have to forget that anyone else is listening to it. Otherwise, you'll go mad.

Who are some artists who have spoken to you?

When I was going through a break-up recently, I listened to typical break-up music, like the Bon Iver album, "For Emma Forever Ago." That was perfect. I listened to a lot of Spiritualized as well. Not exactly cheery. It's funny, isn't it? When you're sad, you're attracted to sad music. It should be the other way around, but it's not.

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	Hot Tub Time Machine	\$8 M	
	The Bounty Hunter	\$6.2 M	
	Diary of a Wimpy Kid	\$5.5 M	
	She's Out of My League	\$1.4 M	
	Shutter Island	\$1.4 M	

Compiled by Fiona Zublin. For more upcoming events, follow the Top Stops blog at expressnightout.com/topstops.

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1 How the White House Rolls

Easter was yesterday, but the White House's Easter Egg Roll is today. That doesn't mean you can drop by on your lunch break, because the ticket ship sailed a couple months ago. Alternative options include wistfully viewing the Egg Roll from a distance; participating in mysterious "interactive opportunities" at Whitehouse.gov/eastereggroll; or having an Easter egg hunt of your own in your office. Don't be ruled by the calendar. F.Z.

2 Keep Eating Like It's Easter

Many Easter feasts have been reduced to leftovers by now, but the Greek Easter Festival at Zaytinya is just getting started. While the menu cooked up by chef Mike Isabella looks delicious (OK, maybe not the lamb's brains), we're most stoked for the "lambwich" cart that will be serving lamb sandwiches on Zaytinya's patio during weekend lunches. F.Z. **Zaytinya, 701 9th St. NW; through April 16, \$7; 202-638-0800, Zaytinya.com. (Gallery Place)**

3 Reporting in Iran

Spend your Monday lunch hour at a discussion about journalists in Iran and the challenges they face.



Iranian Azar Nafisi, author of "Reading Lolita in Tehran," joins a panel delving into the issue of free speech. F.Z. **SAIS, 1740 Massachusetts Ave. NW; Mon., noon-2 p.m., free; 202-256-5613, Rsf.org. (Dupont Circle)**



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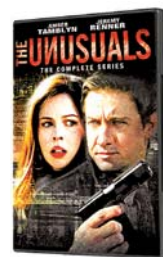
DVD Review

Dear ABC,

Canceling "The Unusuals" after only one season last year was an awful decision.

Love, People With Sense.

"The Unusuals" not only benefits from a talented cast but also from a layered plot that's somewhat similar to that of "Southland,"



another recent police drama. Both feature formerly wealthy-but-good-hearted main characters (in this case, Detective Casey Shraeger, portrayed by Amber Tamblyn) who are forced to assimilate into gritty conditions (New York City) with numerous quirky, conflicted and endearing fellow police officers.

Plus, "Southland" also was canceled after its first season. Luckily, the NBC reject found an afterlife on TNT, which picked up the show.

"The Unusuals" works as any good police drama should and establishes a few key plot arcs while also keeping up a steady rhythm of stand-alone episodes.

From the start, viewers learn that Shraeger, who has just transferred to the Second Precinct, isn't as honest as she should be: She's hiding her Upper East Side roots



PATRICK HARBRON/ABC

Amber Tamblyn played a detective hiding her ritzy roots on "The Unusuals."

from her fellow officers because she fears they won't respect her. Her new partner is Jason Walsh (Jeremy Renner), who may be as corrupt as his former partner, the dead police officer she replaced.

The precinct teems with difficult personalities, from Eric Delahoy (Adam Goldberg), who wants to die in the line of duty rather than from his secret brain tumor, to Eddie Alvarez (Kai Lennox), who's in law enforcement for the media attention and public adoration. Everybody has a motive, and viewers will often find themselves trying to figure out who has the city's best interests at heart and who is just doing the dirty.

The show's first season laid out enough of a solid plot foundation and had sufficiently strong chemistry among its cast to deserve a second season, and the finale's cliff-hanger ending is certainly unsatisfying, not to mention unjust. TNT wouldn't happen to be looking for another police show to join "Southland," would it?

Film Beat



A Fresh Slice: "Harold & Kumar" creators Jon Hurwitz and Hayden Schlossberg are on board to write and direct **American Pie 4**, Universal's reboot of the franchise. The pair hope to reunite the cast of the original movies. The series has remained lucrative in the straight-to-DVD market despite the fact that the last time a film hit theaters was in 2003. (THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER)

TV tonight **lookout**

Best Bets

NBC
8:00

Chuck Chuck begins to question Shaw's emotional stability after they find the Ring operative behind the death of Shaw's wife, although Sarah has faith that he is ready for the mission.

CBS
8:00

The Big Bang Theory After being humiliated on National Public Radio, Sheldon vows to utterly destroy his rival, Kripke (guest star John Ross Bowie). Wolowitz (Simon Helberg, right) tries to avoid ruining his new relationship with Bernadette.



CBS
8:29

Rules of Engagement Audrey tells her friend Liz, who's feeling down about her less-than-gorgeous looks, that she's one of the women who Jeff would sleep with if he weren't with Audrey.

NBC
9:00

Trauma Nancy ignores protocol while treating a high school cheerleader, putting a strain on her relationship with Dr. Joe, who winds up in the hot seat. Rabbit and Marisa are quarantined after being exposed to a patient with meningitis. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



RUNAWAY SQUAD

On the Right Track

A&E
10:00

A&E's docudrama follows six private eyes — all former New York City police officers — who track down missing kids at no charge to the family. "Runaway Squad" unfolds a little like "America's Most Wanted" in reverse. Instead of following a famous criminal, we are submerged into a private tragedy, most often a solo parent whose child has vanished and whose trail has grown cold. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Winners



The Fame Game

The Bravo special "Christian Siriano: Having a Moment" (10 p.m.) is a glimpse into the life of the "Project Runway" winner as he prepares for his third runway show, keeps up with Emmy dress appointments, meets with celeb clients and finds time for his boyfriend, Brad. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

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COMMENTER GEORGE WASHINGTON

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COMMENTER LIN

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You'll be able to add a little zest to the proceedings, but don't cross the line into impropriety.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Trust yourself and your instincts, and let your personality lead the way whenever you can. It won't steer you wrong.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Others will look to you to determine when and where they should apply their greatest efforts. Don't let the pressure get to you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You are a quick learner, and you'll be able to apply your talents to a situation in a new and creative way as a result. Others are impressed.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) No door is likely to remain closed for long; you know just how to get others to grant you the freedom you need to explore.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You will respond quickly to changing circumstances. After dark, you will receive an invitation that has you considering an alternative.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You're in no mood to take charge of a situation that is slowly getting out of hand, but you may discover that you're the only one who can.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Others are likely to express their commitment to you and a current project in no uncertain terms. You can pick up the pace very soon.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You're not one to shy away from difficulties, but you may wish that someone else could handle the big stuff.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Always one to take advantage of an opportunity, you are sure to react to all options in a proactive fashion.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You're not just in it for the glory. You also want to feel that deep sense of satisfaction that you sense can be yours — eventually.

Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 145-155, BEST SCORE 221

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Triple Word Score

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RACK 2

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RACK 3

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RACK 4

Friday's Solution

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A ₁	R ₁	E ₁	O ₁	L ₁	A ₁	E ₁	RACK 4 =	57
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Friday's Solution

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Sunrise today: 6:47 a.m.
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Normal high: 62
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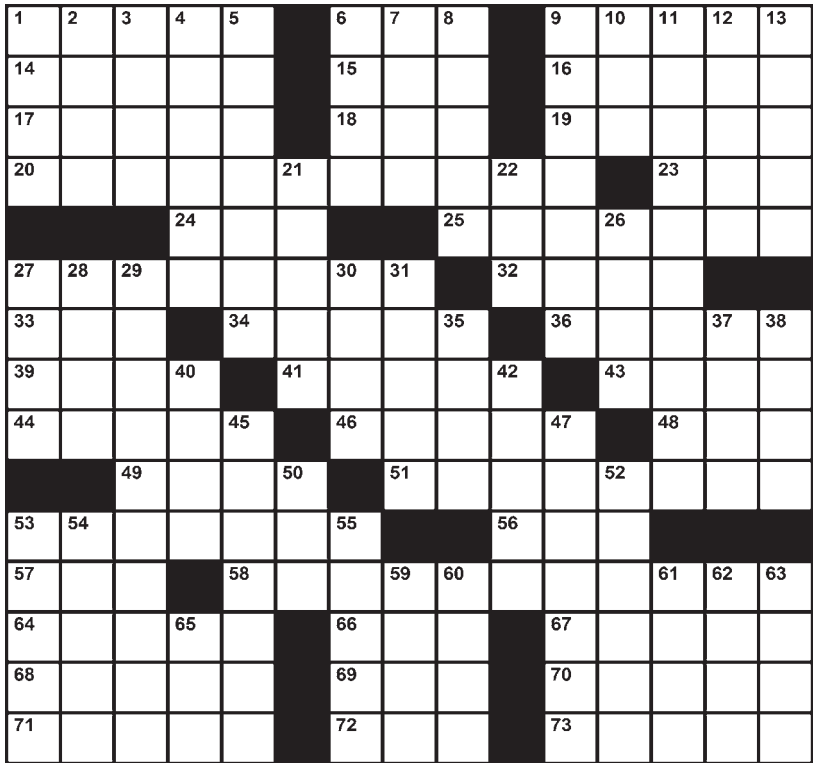
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ACROSS

- Sustain, as losses
- Photo ____ (publicity setups)
- Bite vigorously
- Atlanta-based airline
- Lock opener
- Dish served with onions, often
- Rigel's constellation
- Writer Fleming who created Bond
- Celebrated Italian violin maker
- Aerial maneuver
- Blazed a trail
- Square root of IX
- Regret deeply
- Intermittently
- Atoll's makeup
- Romanian currency
- Salami choice
- Make leaner, as meat
- Social problems
- Soviet currency
- Regal term of address
- Earthenware vessels
- Reading offerers
- U.S. spy org.
- Songs on albums
- 2012 is the next one
- Lack of success
- Leaves with a caddy?
- Incoming flight (abbr.)
- Band alternatives
- Valium producer
- The third O of OOO
- Type of wave
- Haggard hero
- Quatermain
- Printer's widths
- "J'accuse" author Zola
- Slumbered
- Hamelin critter
- Word after "G" or "PG"

DOWN

- Matinee heartthrob
- Seneca was his tutor
- Advertiser's award
- Ideally perfect place
- Being bombastic
- Steinbeck panhandler?
- Ring a bell
- Where fathers may gather
- Showed appreciation in a handy way?
- Her counterpart
- Prestigious D.C. workplace
- This could raise a red flag
- "____ and Prejudice"
- Seeker's quarry
- Above, to the Bard
- Bruce and Spike
- Miscellaneous mixture
- Took a trip
- 360 degrees



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- Burden or responsibility
- Inventor of dynamite
- "Hard" follower, at sea
- Kathleen Battle delivery
- Run like the wind
- David succeeded him, in the Bible
- Ode writer's Muse
- University attendee
- Apparition
- ____ Lanka
- Washington river city
- "So ____ I know ..."
- On ____ (having good luck)
- Flavoring compound
- Senseless state

- Do a bit of leg-pulling
- Perfect prose
- Connecticut ivy school
- Huskies' load
- Hazardly start?

Friday's Solution



Today in History

1614 Pocahontas, daughter of the leader of the Powhatan tribe, marries English colonist John Rolfe in Virginia.

1621 The Mayflower sails from Plymouth Colony in present-day Massachusetts on a monthlong return trip to England.

2009 The Pentagon lifts an 18-year ban on media coverage of fallen U.S. service members.

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REVELATIONS

Hot HBO Sex Still Hot, Perhaps Hotter

A gay rights campaign that features a declaration of bisexuality by Anna Paquin has received so much traffic that its Web site, Wegiveadamn.org, crashed. The campaign was launched Thursday by Cyndi Lauper's True Colors Fund. In the ad, Paquin says, "I'm Anna Paquin. I'm bisexual, and I give a damn." The video also features Elton John, Whoopi Goldberg, Jason Mraz, Cynthia Nixon and others. (AP)

ACCESS

Weezy Jail Webcam To Launch by Summer

Lil Wayne wants his fans to know that his spirit and love will "never be confined to prison walls." The jailed rapper's message was posted Friday to his new Web site, Weezythanxyou.com. Lil Wayne says he's in good spirits and thinks about his four children daily. Weezythanxyou.com will be updated with messages from Lil Wayne every week. (AP)



Lil Wayne plans to upload a digital copy of his consciousness as soon as he can.

She-Dirtbag Digest**Wash Hands After Reading**

Michelle McGee, the first mistress to come forward in the Jesse James adultery scandal, will referee a Celebrity Boxing Federation match fought between Hailey Glassman—an ex-girlfriend of Jon Gosselin—and porn star Gina Lynn. Last Friday, McGee returned to work as a stripper at a San Diego, Calif., club. (EXPRESS)



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BRAVERY

Andrews Hangs in There

At least a dozen e-mails have been sent threatening ESPN reporter and "Dancing With the Stars" contestant Erin Andrews since September, her attorney Marshall Grossman said. The FBI has been notified, Grossman said. He said the man's identity is known to law enforcement and he is believed to live on the East Coast. Andrews has no plans to quit "DWTS," though she did ask that ABC beef up security. (AP)



TASTE

JFK Reference Was Perhaps Questionable

Erykah Badu faces a disorderly conduct charge for her nude music video shoot in Dallas' Dealey Plaza. Badu performed a walking striptease in front of pedestrians during the March 13 shoot. The performance ended with a nude Badu miming death at the spot where President John F. Kennedy was killed. The misdemeanor charge is punishable by a fine of up to \$500. (AP)

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